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Applicants	:	Alan E. Shluzas, et al.
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are the following documents:

(X) Information Disclosure Statement; Form 1449 listing five references.
(X) A Petition to Add Omitted Inventor in one page;
(X) A Substitute Declaration and Power of Attorney of Inventors in two pages;
(X) A copy of Assignment of Gene P. DiPoto filed herewith under separate cover sheet;
(X) Statement by Inventor to be Added 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(2) in two pages;
(X) Consent of Assignee to Correction of Inventorship under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(5) and copy of assignment;
(X) Check in the amount of $50 to cover the petition fee; and
(X) A return prepaid postcard.

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